## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

 A method of interpreting data obtained from the analysis of nucleic acids, comprising the steps of:

obtaining the nucleic acid data in a spatial domain;

transforming the nucleic acid data from the spatial domain to a frequency domain; and obtaining sequence data of the transformed

obtaining sequence data of the transform data by executing a data mining process on the transformed nucleic acid data.

- 2. A method according to Claim 1, wherein obtaining the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain comprises performing a gel electrophoresis process on nucleic acid material to form an image and performing a process on the image to obtain a machine-readable format of the image in the spatial domain.
- 3. A method according to Claim 2, further comprising performing a normalization process on the machine-readable image data prior to the transforming step.
- 4. A method according to Claim 2, wherein the spatial domain comprises size versus intensity.
- 5. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Hadamard transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.

- 6. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Fourier transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 7. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a wavelet transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 8. A method according to any one of Claims 5 to 7, wherein the transformation results in frequency coefficients and the data mining process is performed utilizing the frequency coefficients.
- 9. A method according to Claim 8, wherein less than all of the frequency coefficients are used in the data mining process.
- 10. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the data mining process comprises processing the transformed data in a connectionist neural network algorithm.
- 11. A method according to Claim 1, wherein the data mining process comprises a feedforward, backpropagation connectionist algorithm.
- 12. A method according to any one of Claims 5 to 7, wherein the data mining process

comprises a classification tree / rule induction (CART) algorithm.

- 13. An apparatus for interpreting data obtained by analysis of nucleic acids, comprising:

  a memory that stores executable process steps; and
- a processor that executes the executable process steps, wherein the executable process steps comprise (a) inputting nucleic acid data in a spatial domain, (b) transforming the nucleic acid data from the spatial domain to a frequency domain, and (c) obtaining sequence data of the nucleic acid data by executing a data mining process on the transformed nucleic acid data.
- 14. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the input nucleic acid data is obtained by performing a gel electrophoresis process on nucleic acid material to form an image and performing a process on the image to obtain a machine-readable format of the image in the spatial domain.
- 15. An apparatus according to Claim 14, further comprising performing a normalization process on the machine-readable image data prior to the transforming step.
- 16. An apparatus according to Claim 14, wherein the spatial domain comprises size versus intensity.
- 17. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting

the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Hadamard transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.

- 18. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic data in the spatial domain to a Fourier transform to obtain the nucleic data in the frequency domain.
- 19. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a wavelet transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 20. An apparatus according to any one of Claims 17 to 19, wherein the transformation results in frequency coefficients and the data mining process is performed utilizing the frequency coefficients.
- 21. An apparatus according to Claim 20, wherein less than all of the frequency coefficients are used in the data mining process.
- 22. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the data mining process comprises processing the transformed data in a connectionist neural network algorithm.
- 23. An apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein the data mining process comprises a

feedforward, backpropagation connectionist
algorithm.

- 24. An apparatus according to any one of Claims 17 to 19, wherein the data mining process comprises a classification tree / rule induction (CART) algorithm.
- 25. Computer-executable process steps for interpreting data obtained by analysis of nucleic acids, the executable process steps comprising:

  inputting nucleic acid data in a spatial domain:

transforming the input nucleic acid data from the spatial domain to a frequency domain; and obtaining sequence data of the nucleic acid data by executing a data mining process on the transformed nucleic acid data.

- 26. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the input nucleic acid data is obtained by performing a gel electrophoresis process on nucleic acid material to form an image and performing a process on the image to obtain a machine-readable format of the image in the spatial domain.
- 27. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 26, further comprising performing a normalization process on the machine-readable image data prior to the transforming step.

- 28. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 26, wherein the spatial domain comprises size versus intensity.
- 29. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Hadamard transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 30. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Fourier transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 31. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a wavelet transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 32. Computer-executable process steps according to any one of Claims 29 to 31, wherein the transformation results in frequency coefficients and the data mining process is performed utilizing the frequency coefficients.
- 33. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 32, wherein less than all of the frequency coefficients are used in the data mining process.

- 34. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the data mining process comprises processing the transformed data in a connectionist neural network algorithm.
- 35. Computer-executable process steps according to Claim 25, wherein the data mining process comprises a feedforward, backpropagation connectionist algorithm.
- 36. Computer-executable process steps according to any one of Claims 29 to 31, wherein the data mining process comprises a classification tree/rule induction (CART) algorithm.
- 37. A computer-readable medium which stores computer-executable process steps for interpreting data obtained by analysis of nucleic acids, the computer-executable process steps comprising:

inputting nucleic acid data in a spatial domain;

transforming the input nucleic acid data from the spatial domain to a frequency domain; and

- obtaining sequence data of the nucleic acid data by executing a data mining process on the
- 38. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the input nucleic acid data is obtained by performing a gel electrophoresis process on nucleic acid material to form an image and performing a process on the image to obtain a

machine-readable format of the image in the spatial domain

- 39. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 38, further comprising performing a normalization process on the machine-readable image data prior to the transforming step.
- 40. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 38, wherein the spatial domain comprises size versus intensity.
- 41. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Hadamard transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 42. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a Fourier transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 43. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the transforming step comprises subjecting the nucleic acid data in the spatial domain to a wavelet transform to obtain the nucleic acid data in the frequency domain.
- 44. A computer-readable medium according to any one of Claims 41 to 43, wherein the transformation results in frequency coefficients and

the data mining process is performed utilizing the frequency coefficients.

- 45. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 44, wherein less than all of the frequency coefficients are used in the data mining process.
- 46. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the data mining process comprises processing the transformed data in a connectionist neural network algorithm.
- 47. A computer-readable medium according to Claim 37, wherein the data mining process comprises a feedforward, backpropagation connectionist algorithm.
- 48. A computer-readable medium according to any one of Claims 41 to 43, wherein the data mining process comprises a classification tree/ rule induction (CART) algorithm.